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MEMORANDUM FOR: J. Robert McBrien
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FROM : [REDACTED] 25X1
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SUBJECT : Comments on Proposed Public Notice on
"Withholding of Release of Merchandise from
Soviet Union Which May be Produced by
Convict, Forced, or Indentured Labor"

REFERENCES : (A) Letter to Hon. William L. Armstrong from
William J. Casey, Director of Central
Intelligence, 19 May 1983, with Enclosure

(B) CIA, Directorate of Intelligence,
4 October 1983, US Imports of Soviet Prison-
Produced Goods

1. [REDACTED] we have direct 25X1
and indirect evidence that forced labor has for a long period of
time been engaged in a broad range of economic activities. [REDACTED]

2. Since the Interdepartmental Group Meeting on "US
Importation of Soviet Prisoner/Forced Labor-Made Goods" on 5
October, we have re-examined the reports of [REDACTED] the 25X1
last three years [REDACTED] 25X1
[REDACTED] 25X1

* [REDACTED] the location of forced labor camps provides 25X1
clear cut indications of the economic activity of prisoners only when a camp
is situated adjacent to facilities used for a specific activity--e.g., gold
and uranium mining. Many camps are in areas where a variety of goods and 25X1
services are produced.

3. At the meeting, a question was raised concerning ammonia exports. [redacted]

[redacted] which accounted for almost 40 percent of total US imports from the USSR in 1982. The plants in the Soviet Union-- built by Chemico--from which Occidental Petroleum imports ammonia are in Tol'yatti. The only forced labor camp we have identified there makes bricks.

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